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REBELS ON TOP

Insurgents Take Possession in
Philippines.

CAPT. GLASS MAKES REPORT

Cable From Dewey—United States
Forces Cannot Interfere.
To Aguinaldo.

WASHINGTON, November 18.—
News of a mixed character came to the
Navy Department today from Admiral
Dewey touching the situation in the
Philippines. The admiral sent two of
his warships, the Charleston and Con-
cord, some time ago, to the southward
from Manila to ascertain whether there
was truth in the report that the Span-
ish had expanded their action in that
direction. The following message was
received today:

MANILA, November 18.—Secretary
of the Navy, Washington: Charleston
and Concord arrived today from Iloilo.
They report that the entire islands are
in the possession of the insurgents,
except Iloilo, which is defended by the
Spanish troops. All foreign citizens
there are for American protection. The
island of Negros has declared inde-
pendence and desires an American pro-
tectorate.

Glass is the commander of the Char-
leston. So far nothing has been done
by the Administration toward curbing
the insurgents in their operations, save
verbal representations from the Amer-
ican commanders to Aguinaldo, in
which it has been pointed out to him
that it would be good policy, in view
of the probability of the annexation of
the islands by the United States, to
pursue a course that would not be ob-
noxious to the United States. So far
as the Spaniards are concerned, per-
haps they can be left to take care of
themselves, but the foreign residents
at Iloilo are differently regarded.

The difficulty in the situation is that
with the best intentions to intervene to
protect the Europeans and other for-
eigners and to save the city of Iloilo,
the second in importance in the Philip-
pine group, from looting, the United
States forces appear to be stopped un-
der the rules of war from moving from
their positions. Such is the construc-
tion placed upon the clause in the pro-
tocol relating to a suspension of hos-
tilities.

The immediate effect of this state of
affairs may be to hasten action in the
Paris conference, for it is only by the
termination of that tribunal that the
United States can come to the relief of
the beleaguered Spaniards in Iloilo and
other points.

KILLED BY REBELS.

LONDON, Nov. 19. A dispatch to the
Daily Telegraph from Shanghai says that
Rev. Mr. Fleming, a missionary and a
native evangelist were murdered in a
Hongkong by the rebels on the town
of Kwei Fu, in the Upper Yangtze River
valley, when the Catholic mission there
was burned.

LUCIEN YOUNG'S SAY.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Nov. 18.—Lucien
Young of the Hist. reports that it
is practicable to raise the former Span-
ish cruiser Reina Mercedes, sunk on June
6th near the entrance of Santiago har-
bor during the engagement between Ad-
miral Sampson's fleet and the Spanish marine
and land batteries. He said that she
had been sunk by opening her sea valves.

TO RAISE GUNBOATS.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—The United
States Navy will soon possess more than
a sprinkling of foreign-built war ships.
Admiral Dewey has informed the Navy
Department that he has contracted with
a Hongkong firm of wreckers to raise
three of the Spanish war vessels sunk in
the battle of Manila last May day. The
cost of raising the ships and putting them
in thorough repair will be \$200,000.

LATEST OF WILLIAM.

BERLIN, Nov. 18.—The news that Em-
peror William is to return home by a
roundabout way without touching at Vi-
enna or Berlin, has created a sensation
in political circles, as it is interpreted as
being a confirmation of the recent indi-
cations that the relations between Ger-
many and Austria are less friendly than
they have been. His majesty's avoid-
ance of Berlin is supposed to be due to
his displeasure at the abandonment of
the projected festival reception.

DESTITUTE IN HAVANA.

HAVANA, Nov. 18.—Of late Havana has
been almost overrun with Americans,
who have arrived here quite without
means of support, but in hopes of get-
ting lucrative employment. Scores of
them are now begging on the streets of
the city. There is really no inducement
whatever for outsiders at present, and
begging will be the almost inevitable fate
of nine-tenths of those who come here in
search of work.

RAILWAY CATASTROPHE.

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.—In the gloom
of smoke, storm and fog that darkened
the rails of the Pennsylvania railroad
this morning between Jersey City and
Harrison, a belated suburban train

crashed into a gang of workmen, killing
eleven and injuring four. Five others
had remarkable escapes.

REGULARS FOR MANILA.

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Nov. 18.—
Lieut. Col. Mayhew, commanding the
Twenty-third Regular Infantry at Fort
Leavenworth, issued orders today to the
quartermaster to provide rations suffi-
cient for the regiment in a tropical cli-
mate. The orders are that rations will
not be granted for more than ten days.
It is believed that the Twenty-third will be
ordered to the Philippines.

THE POPE.

LONDON, Nov. 18.—The Rome corre-
spondent of the Daily Chronicle says: A
very important pontifical document is
about to appear expressing the Pope's
full approval of the democratic and
liberal tendencies of the Catholic church
in the United States.

RUSSIAN PEACE MEASURE.

ST. PETERSBURG, November 15.—
The Government has ordered the con-
struction at the Nevsky ship building
yard of sixty-three torpedo boat de-
stroyers of the Sokol type.

The Russian torpedo boat destroyer
Sokol is of nickel, steel and aluminum.
Her displacement is 240 tons, her coal
capacity 60 tons and her speed 30.38
knots. Her length is 190 feet and she
is 18 feet in the beam. She carries one
twelve-pound and three six-pounders,
and is fitted with two torpedo tubes
(sixteen inches).

THE DROP IN H. C.

A Striking Slump in the
Stock on Coast.

Tumbles Down in a Day—Pollitz
Says Enemies are at Work.
Campbell a Bear.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 18.—The rapid
and sudden decline of Hawaiian Com-
mercial yesterday on "Change caused con-
fusion among large and small holders,
closely bordering on a panic. At the
opening of the morning session the shares
sold at \$5.20, a decline from the lowest
point of the previous day, and continued
receding until they reached \$4. The last
sale in the afternoon was at \$4.75, though
only five shares were sold at that figure.
More than 1,000 shares changed hands
during the day in the open board.
Various causes for the sudden decline
are given by as many interested parties,
most of whom claim that it is a deal on
the part of the people who have recently
been defeated in the deal they contem-
plated, and who now seek to get even
with the holders of Hawaiian Com-
mercial. Others say that the brokers
are in the deal for gain, while lead-
ing financiers and bankers are at a loss
to account for the decline.

The stock sold at \$4 only a week ago.
It declined a point or two a day, but the
break came yesterday, starting the in-
siders, who are at a loss to account for
it. Other sugar stocks were slightly af-
fected in the decline, but Hawaiian Com-
mercial, though the shrinkage was only
nominal.

Edward Pollitz, who was the leader of
the recent victorious opposition to the
old regime in Hawaiian Commercial, was
not in a pleasant frame of mind at the
result of yesterday's market. When
asked as to the probable cause of the
sudden decline of the shares which he
and his party had been buying, he said:

"It is caused by the spreading of will-
ful and deliberate falsehoods about
impending trouble for the islands.
The whole thing is a dastardly at-
tempt to cheat people out of their
deal, which result in disastrously low
rumors brought from the islands, be-
cause the decline commenced some days
before the steamer arrived here. The
rumors were spread by the mail and
were distributed late in the afternoon,
while the drop commenced on November
17th, when the shares sold at \$5. Some
brokers and outsiders are likely con-
cerned in this deal. They are in it for
renewed trouble for the islands. Some
James Campbell, the Hawaiian million-
aire, takes quite a different view of the
decline of the shares. He said last evening:
"I do not see anything very unusual
in the decline. The stock rose too high,
and had to come down at the first re-
action, nor would I be surprised to see it
decline still more. All shares rising sud-
denly and rapidly are subject to similar
reactions. There is no truth in the rum-
ored labor troubles under the new
government. Wages are expected to go
up in the islands, but that will be ac-
complished without the slightest trouble.
The report of typhoid fever could not
have any effect upon the stock of the
Hawaiian Commercial, which is located
on another island than that where the
fever is reported as having broken out.
This fluctuation is simply the result of
speculation. Parties are interested in
booming the stock beyond its real value,
while others make every effort to keep it
down to their own ends."

A. L. Langermann, a broker, who han-
dles Hawaiian Commercial, said that he
was not in the least dis-
turbed by the fluctuation, ascribing the
drop to reaction and rumors of labor
troubles and sickness in the islands. He
bought and sold yesterday, "right and
left," as he expressed it.
Daniel Meyer, the banker, said that he
was not prepared to ascribe the decline
to any special cause until he could see
further developments.

TWENTY-FOUR LOST AT SEA.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 18.—The iron
ship Atalanta, Capt. Charles McBride,
bound from Tacoma to Delagoa Bay,
South Africa, was wrecked off the Ore-
gon coast Thursday, and of a crew of
twenty-seven men only three are believed
to have been saved.

ON FIELD LABOR

Committee of Planters—Statement
By Mr. Baldwin.

NO REQUEST FOR CONTRACT

Willing to Take Chances—Experi-
ment Station Work—Yield—Elec-
tion of Officers.

There was about the usual atten-
dance for the opening day of the annual
meeting of the Hawaiian Sugar Plan-
ters' Association at the assembly room
on Nuuanu street, just below Nuuanu.
President Dole was a visitor and sev-
eral times took part in the discussions.
President Joseph B. Atherton was in
the chair and C. Bolte as usual, was
the recorder.

The financial statement of the assoc-
iation, which, by the way, is incorpo-
rated, was very satisfactory.

The sugar crop for the campaign of
1897-8 was 229,414 tons as against 251,
126 the preceding campaign. The pre-
dictions are for a large increase on
crop for 1898-99.

Election of officers resulted:

President—H. P. Baldwin.
Vice-president—Charles M. Cooke.
Secretary—C. Bolte.
Treasurer—F. M. Swanzy.
Auditor—F. A. Schaefer.
Other Trustees—James B. Castle, W.
G. Irwin, John F. Hackfeld.

About a dozen reports were read from
various committees that had been as-
signed by President Atherton to pre-
sent papers. Comment was not extend-
ed. The committee on machinery en-
dorsed the nine-roller mill and said it
would probably be adopted by every
plantation in the group.

Dr. Maxwell made extremely interest-
ing, if largely technical reports on for-
tilization and on the experiment sta-
tion, of which he is the director. Trials
are being made with thirteen varieties
of cane. The cane seed is produced at
the station and is all of the same age—
eight months. Each experimental row
is 108 feet long. Dr. Maxwell has tried
planting with a single eye, planting
with two eyes, planting with an entire
stick. The best outcome was with us-
ing a single eye of cane. Dr. Maxwell
has planted at various distances—the
foot and above. He has grown cane
with and without irrigation. He has
allowed weeds to grow with and with-
out irrigation. He has tried flooding
and specific amounts of water. The
conclusion seemed to be under the head
of irrigation that in many instances of
cultivation too much water is being
used. It was made clear that the fertil-
izer is wasted by over-irrigation, for the
reason that it is carried away by the
drainage, having become soluble, as it
must become to be of use.

All of the planters are to be shown
over the experimental station by Dr.
Maxwell, the director, at 9 o'clock this
morning.

A notable incident of yesterday was
a statement by H. P. Baldwin, who be-
sides being the chief man in three great
sugar estates, is a pioneer in the busi-
ness, a son of the islands and at pres-
ent a member of the Hawaiian Senate.
Mr. Baldwin said that prints and in-
dividuals inimical to the planting in-
terests had been making wild and in-
correct statements concerning the mem-
orial that the association had sent to
the commissioners lately sitting here,
for the purpose of framing and enab-
ling act and laws for the new territory.
It had been bruited about, even after
the memorial had been published in the
Advertiser, that the planters had peti-
tioned to be permitted to retain con-
tract labor for a period and it had been
shouted that the planters wanted ad-
vantage over everybody else and espe-
cial favors of all characters. The fact
was, he asserted, that the planters
were willing to take the business
chances incident to any enterprise in
which men engaged anywhere. The
understood and expected and knew and
were satisfied that contract labor was
to be abolished. They did not have any
idea that any feature of the present
contract labor law of the present was
to remain long after Congress met.
What they asked was simply that until
industrial conditions became settled
under the new order, that the planters
be permitted to assist immigration.
The planters had to have labor and
were willing to pay for it. They had
not asked to be permitted to have con-
tract labor. Mr. Atherton, the chair-
man, then read from the memorial and
it was plain that the case was as Mr.
Baldwin had stated.

The report on labor gave the num-

ber of men employed on all the plan-
tations of the group as 25,000. Quite a
large percentage of these men are not
under contract and can leave at will.
The greatest number of one nationality
is Japanese. Very few Portuguese or
Hawaiians are under contract. A large
proportion of the Chinese are shipped
men. The Chinese prefer a contract.
It was stated in the report on labor
that the supply during the past year
had been reasonably good, that wages
had slightly advanced, that Galicians
and Americans had been brought to the
plantations and that it was the inten-
tion to open up at once the old supply
source of Madeira and the Azores. The
fact was plainly stated that the Por-
tuguese laborers were the best.

There was no report on forestry. Dr.
Maxwell said there was really nothing
new locally. It had been intimated to
him at Washington that the forests
here would become the charge of the
national government. President Dole
explained why Mr. Furnow, former
chief of the United States Bureau of
Forestry, had not come to Hawaii last
year. This was because the department
at Washington was loth to send to the
islands so important an official while
annexation was pending.

The report on pests spoke only of
borers and the only remedy suggested
was burning over the old fields.

The planters will meet again at 10
o'clock this morning.

A KOHALA BRIDE

A Pretty Wedding at the
Home of Dr. Jas. Wight.

Miss Charlotte E. Alexander and
W. M. McQuaid—Reception and
Feast—Fertile Ropes Etc.

There took place on Wednesday after-
noon, November 23d, at Greenbank,
Hawaii, the residence of Dr. J. Wight,
the wedding of Miss Charlotte E. Alex-
ander and Mr. W. M. McQuaid of
Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at present lo-
cated at Kukuiahae.

The wedding, which was a private
one and attended only by members of
the family and a few friends, was con-
ducted by the Rev. Mr. Tompkins of
Paoua.

The graceful and pretty bride who
was attired in a beautiful costume,
was given away by her grandfather,
Dr. Wight, while Mr. E. Hartmann of
Honolulu, attended as best man. At
the termination of the ceremony and
after the young couple's health had
been toasted and drunk, they left in a
shower of rice and old shoes for Pu-
akea ranch, the bride's home, where a
reception was held in their honor by
Mrs. J. H. Mackenfe. Needless to add
as the ranch affairs are always success-
ful, that it was one of the most enjoy-
able social events of the year. The
decorations were extremely pretty and
artistic, the large and spacious rooms
being festooned with wreaths of fern
and mallee. Bows of Japanese lanterns
shed forth a soft and pleasant light,
which blending with the brilliant
moonlight, made the surroundings
nearly as clear as day. The bower
where the young and happy couple re-
ceived the congratulations of their
numerous friends was formed of plants
of the tree fern, brought from the hill
sides and being planted in soil, retain-
ed all their freshness and vigor as in
their mountain home.

After receiving the Kohala band be-
ing in attendance, the floors being
cleared, dancing was indulged in, and
at midnight substantial refreshments
were served, when the young couple's
health was again toasted and drunk
with much enthusiasm, the bride being
a great local favorite. Soon after the
guests, who numbered about sixty, be-
gan to depart after thanking the host
and hostess for such a delightful even-
ing at Puakea ranch. J. O.

To Open Pauoa.

An extensive and important real es-
tate transaction, that will have a de-
cided bearing on the market generally
and most likely on the direction of the
growth of Honolulu. This is nothing
less than the opening of Pauoa valley,
which is a beautiful district, healthful,
well drained and well watered, with
scenic and view features. The Booth
homestead tract is to be taken in hand.
It is understood that the Waterhouses
are heavily interested. A corporation
is to be formed and the prospectus is
already out.

A \$500,000 sugar plantation is to be
established in Kona. It is reported
that McChesney & Sons are to be the
agents.

HE HAD A STORY

Klondiker Who Was Looking for
Hearers.

WOOD MADE HIS PILE

Just a Plain Man From the Digg-
ings—His Favorite Bank—He
Admires Dewey.

J. E. Wood was at the postoffice at 2
o'clock Saturday morning last on a not
very noisy hunt for listeners. Wood is
a successful Klondiker and he wanted
to tell all about it. The native police-
man did not take any interest in the
matter and the letter handling people
were busy inside. Wood had talked to
everybody on the Belgie and wanted
new auditors. He was such a good,
simple chap, that he finally enlisted
Captain Bowers, of the Merchants' Pa-
trol, L. L. La Pierre, the sanitary agent
and a couple of Advertiser men, who
had followed the Owl lunch wagon
from Rialto to the postoffice. Wood's
strictly Klondiker story was not a great
deal out of the ordinary, but his man-
ner and his account of himself were
worth the while. He had been in the
gold fields seven years. Much of the
time he had worked as a miner for oth-
ers, receiving \$10 a day. He is a big
fellow and could be a handy man about
diggings. Finally in one of his seasons
of prospecting, he struck it and for the
first time on such a tour was all alone,
so there was no one with whom to
divide. He took out \$9000 in dust and
then sold for \$20,000 cash. Wood fig-
ures that this will be enough money for
him for his whole life. He does not
drink or gamble and has faith that he
cannot be swindled.

This Klondiker is a walking adver-
tisement for the British Bank of North
America. He says it is the solidest
financial institution anywhere. He had
known of a number of banks tottering
in the Puget Sound country, but he was
certain that the British Bank of
North America could never have a mis-
hap. "They don't pay interest," he said,
"but when you want your money they
produce it. They don't change their
place of business and they have only
honest old men for clerks." Wood had
a portion of his fortune in exchange
on Spreckels & Company here and on
a bank at Hongkong.

Wood said that he was going to
make a trip around the world and
without any apparent intention of be-
ing funny said that he had enough
money to do it and get back home
again. From Hongkong he goes down
to Manila to see the "battlefields" and
have a look at Dewey as he expressed
it. Wood is an ardent admirer of the
triumphant admiral and declares that
he must meet the great sailor.

The miner's tale of his return to the
little town from which he had embarked
on his gold hunting enterprise was
comical. Said he: "I was only a sec-
tion hand at that place, but I was a
good one. The boss and all the boys
liked me and I had some friends in
town. A railroad manager there none
of them liked, because he was upish.
When I came back with my \$29,000 in
gold this same manager took right hold
of me and walked down street with me
and introduced me to his wife." This
matter of the introduction to the lady
was told in almost a whisper.

The Klondiker had heard of Colonel
Will E. Fisher as the biggest man in
Skagway and Dyea and wanted to meet
the new citizen of Honolulu. Wood
told lightly of the terrible hardships of
the Klondike. "I pitted the horses,"
said he. "On the trail you could walk
on the carcasses of horses as far as
from this postoffice to the docks. The
men suffered awfully, too. I'll bet there
are letters in the postoffice at Dawson
for a thousand men who have died in
the country without anybody knowing
their names. It's 'pardon' with every-
body up there. I wouldn't tackle the
Klondike again for cash in advance.
I'm going to see where Dewey got the
drop on the Greasers and if I like the
country I'll camp there."

A Deserter in Punishment.

A private of one of the companies of
the First Oregon Regiment, U. S. V., is
in prison at the camp of the volunteers,
serving sentence for desertion. He was
tried here and his punishment fixed at
a fine of thirty days and imprisonment
for the same period. The man came
ashore while his ship was in the stream
and proceeded to fill up on liquor. He
failed to report to the American Consul
and was picked up by the provost
guard.